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Notice of Lifting of Suspension Date:

TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS FROM THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (C-580-866)

1. ON APRIL 26, 2011, COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS INITIATION OF BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS FROM THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (76 FR 23298).

2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THE INVESTIGATION ARE ALL BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS AND CERTAIN ASSEMBLIES THEREOF FROM KOREA.

FOR PURPOSES OF THE INVESTIGATION, THE TERM "BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS" DENOTES FREESTANDING OR BUILT-IN CABINETS THAT HAVE AN INTEGRAL SOURCE OF REFRIGERATION USING COMPRESSION TECHNOLOGY, WITH ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CHARACTERISTICS:

- THE CABINET CONTAINS AT LEAST TWO INTERIOR STORAGE COMPARTMENTS ACCESSIBLE THROUGH ONE OR MORE SEPARATE EXTERNAL DOORS OR DRAWERS OR A COMBINATION THEREOF;
- THE UPPER-MOST INTERIOR STORAGE COMPARTMENT(S) THAT IS ACCESSIBLE THROUGH AN EXTERNAL DOOR OR DRAWER IS EITHER A REFRIGERATOR COMPARTMENT OR CONVERTIBLE COMPARTMENT, BUT IS NOT A FREEZER COMPARTMENT (NOTE 1); AND
- THERE IS AT LEAST ONE FREEZER OR CONVERTIBLE COMPARTMENT THAT IS MOUNTED BELOW THE UPPER-MOST INTERIOR STORAGE COMPARTMENT(S).

FOR PURPOSES OF THE INVESTIGATION, A REFRIGERATOR COMPARTMENT IS CAPABLE OF STORING FOOD AT TEMPERATURES ABOVE 32 DEGREES F (0 DEGREES C), A FREEZER COMPARTMENT IS CAPABLE OF STORING FOOD AT TEMPERATURES AT OR BELOW 32 DEGREES F (0 DEGREES C), AND A CONVERTIBLE COMPARTMENT IS

CAPABLE OF OPERATING AS EITHER A REFRIGERATOR COMPARTMENT OR A FREEZER COMPARTMENT, AS DEFINED ABOVE.

ALSO COVERED ARE CERTAIN ASSEMBLIES USED IN BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS, NAMELY: (1) ANY ASSEMBLED CABINETS DESIGNED FOR USE IN BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS THAT INCORPORATE, AT A MINIMUM: (A) AN EXTERNAL METAL SHELL, (B) A BACK PANEL, (C) A DECK, (D) AN INTERIOR PLASTIC LINER, (E) WIRING, AND (F) INSULATION; (2) ANY ASSEMBLED EXTERNAL DOORS DESIGNED FOR USE IN BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS THAT INCORPORATE, AT A MINIMUM: (A) AN EXTERNAL METAL SHELL, (B) AN INTERIOR PLASTIC LINER, AND (C) INSULATION; AND (3) ANY ASSEMBLED EXTERNAL DRAWERS DESIGNED FOR USE IN BOTTOM MOUNT COMBINATION REFRIGERATOR-FREEZERS THAT INCORPORATE, AT A MINIMUM: (A) AN EXTERNAL METAL SHELL, (B) AN INTERIOR PLASTIC LINER, AND (C) INSULATION.

THE PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO THE INVESTIGATION ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADINGS 8418.10.0010, 8418.10.0020, 8418.10.0030, AND 8418.10.0040 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SYSTEM OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO THE INVESTIGATION MAY ALSO ENTER UNDER HTSUS SUBHEADINGS 8418.21.0010, 8418.21.0020, 8418.21.0030, 8418.21.0090, AND 8418.99.4000, 8418.99.8050, AND 8418.99.8060. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THIS SCOPE IS DISPOSITIVE.

NOTE 1: THE EXISTENCE OF AN INTERIOR SUB-COMPARTMENT FOR ICE-MAKING IN THE UPPER-MOST STORAGE COMPARTMENT DOES NOT RENDER THE UPPER-MOST STORAGE COMPARTMENT A FREEZER COMPARTMENT.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER C-580-866.

4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CBP OFFICERS, THE IMPORTING PUBLIC OR INTERESTED PARTIES, PLEASE CONTACT DAVINA HASHMI OR RON TRENTAM AT THE OFFICE OF AD/CVD OPERATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0984 OR (202) 482-3577, RESPECTIVELY (GENERATED BY O6:JN).

5. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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